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COMMUNICATION

Sir:

There is an Office Action dated February 3, 2011 pending in U.S.S.N. 10/553,211. The Office Action set a three month period for response, making a response due on or by May 3, 2011. Applicant is concurrently filing (in a separate EFS filing) a continuation of the above referenced application. Accordingly, the above referenced application and the continuation application are co-pending.

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CONCLUSION

It is believed that claims are now in condition for allowance, early notice of which would be appreciated. If any outstanding issues remain, the examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below to discuss the same. In the event the United States Patent and Trademark Office determines that an additional extension and/or other relief is required, Applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with this filing to Deposit Account No.: 50-4205; Reference Number: 2003.817US-CNT.

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